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Sent: Monday 15 May 2017 12:01

To: 'Bjorn Kongstad'

Cc: NYMAN Jon (CAB-MALMSTROM); (CAB-MALMSTROM)

Subject: RE: Request for a meeting, 10, 12, 13 July

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Dear Mr Kongstad,

In reply to your request Mrs Åsenius would be available on Wednesday 12 July at 16h15 – would that work?

We are located in the Berlaymont building, 200 rue de la Loi in 1049 Brussels - close to Place Schuman.

Could you have the attached visitor's form completed and returned to me by Friday 7 July please?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Secretariat of Maria ASENIUS, Head of Cabinet Commissioner MALMSTRÖM Trade



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From: Bjorn Kongstad [mailto: @ebc-jp.com]

Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 5:29 AM **To:** ASENIUS Maria (CAB-MALMSTROM)

Cc: (CAB-MALMSTROM) **Subject:** Request for a meeting, 10, 12, 13 July

Dear Maria.

My name is Bjorn Kongstad and I work as Policy Director for an organisation called the European Business Council in Japan (EBC) which represents European businesses present in Japan. Our work is focused on trade policy and advocacy to improve the regulatory business environment in Japan. Hence working very closely with the EU Delegation in Tokyo. The main effort now for a number of years has been the FTA, something EBC

from the industry side can be said to the instigator of, all the way back to the times of Commissioner Mandelson and Ambassador David O'Sullivan, then DG for Trade.

The EBC is a member, and chairs one of the working parties, of the EU-Japan Business Round Table and as you may know this year it will be held in Brussels on 11 July. Since we will be in Brussels for this I was wondering if it would be possible for our Chairman, Danny Risberg (also Chairman of Philips Electronics Japan) and I to see you to learn more about how the EU Commission views the relationship with Japan and especially the FTA. We would be available on 10, 12 and 13 July.

Looking forward to hearing from you. Best regards, Bjorn Kongstad

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